

Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, June 7, 2022

Village Depot Offices/ 7:00 PM - Virtual Meeting/Open Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENT: The Village of North Bennington Trustees held its regular meeting for business on June 7, 2022 at 7:00 pm. This meeting was held by video and telephone conference only via Zoom. This is in accordance with H.681 (section 6.); addendum 01-20/Act 92

The Village Depot was open for in person meeting as well. Treasurer Buggee and Trustees, Mullineaux, Creedy, and Lowary were present in that space as well. All others attended the meeting via Zoom.

Chairman Mary Rogers opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Trustees Present: Scott Creedy, Matthew Patterson, Tara Lowary, Mary Rogers, Ray Mullineaux, Highway Superintendent Norm Leblanc, Treasurer Doug Buggee

A motion was made by Tara Lowary and seconded by Matthew Patterson to approve the May 10, 2022 minutes. This was so voted by all Trustees present, Patterson, Rogers, Creedy, Lowary and Mullineaux.

A motion was made by Matthew Patterson and seconded by Ray Mullineaux, to approve the June warrant and to pay the bills. This was so voted by all trustees.

A motion was made by Matthew Patterson and seconded by Tara Lowary, to approve the extended May warrant and to pay the bills. This was so voted by all trustees.

A motion was made by Matthew Patterson and seconded by Tara Lowary to accept the May 2022 Payroll warrants. This was so voted.

Citizen Comments: Lake Paran Representative Alisa Del Tufo was not present at the meeting but wished to notify the Trustees via Mary Rogers, that Paran Recreations would be holding a July 4th celebration, with fireworks, on July 3rd. Chief Harrington voiced some concerns regarding proper paperwork and submission of such, via telephone. Trustee Rogers will look into this and report back.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Doug Buggee reported the following;

- The following reports were presented to the Trustees prior to the meeting. They are as follows.
- Payroll Warrant - pdf
- Village Warrant - excel - with tab for expense details

- Cash Balances
- The Budget vs Actual Report.
- Mary continues to train Treasurer Doug Buggee in the areas related to her former position.
- Trustee Rogers reviewed ARPA Funding and requests that have been received from several local entities. She also discussed the approved funding requests.
- Remaining accounts to be funded will occur prior to 6/30/22.

Highway Department –

- Many repairs have been made to the sweeper.
- ARPA Funding for Welling Field was again discussed. Resident Mark Boudreau will gather more information and attend the July meeting.
- Summer maintenance has begun.
- Norm reviewed and updated the Trustees on the Overlea Road Project.
- An update on the mobile speed detector was discussed. Location, placement and length at each site were discussed.
- A Trustee training with Norm for instruction on road condition assessment was held. Trustees have begun completing paperwork related to road assessments and surveys.
- Several trees have been removed on Park Street.

DRB News — There was a meeting on May 17th to hear an appeal; Honeysuckle Lane property. Notices had been distributed to adjacent landowners and interested parties. The owner was not found to be in violation. For more information, please contact Zoning Administrator Billy Rogers.

Next steps to implement the newly released Ordinances were discussed. The process to finalize these ordinances is underway and on schedule.

Planning Commission- A motion was made at this time to appoint Prospect Street resident Kim Hall to the Planning Commission. This was seconded and so voted.

A motion was made to appoint Matt Drive resident Mary Rogers to the Planning Commission. This was seconded and so voted.

Water Board - NONE

Fire Department News –

Treasurer Doug Buggee has reviewed the budget process for the fire department with Chief Harrington.

New Business –

- The current EMP Plan was looked at briefly. Trustee Rogers and Clerk Elwell continue to update the document plan as needed.

Old Business –

A. ARPA Funding Request

* ISSUE 1: -NBSGD voting reimbursement – The full request for reimbursement was discussed and reviewed following specific detail. A motion was made to allocate and issue a check to the NBSGD for the requested amount. This was seconded and so voted. Detail can be viewed as requested.

* ISSUE 2: - Paran Recreations additional request – A motion was made to allocate and issue a check to Paran Recreations for additional funding to purchase picnic tables and signage. This is in addition to their original request, some of which has already been allocated. This was seconded and so voted. Detail can be viewed as requested.

The library project was reviewed and discussed. August 1st is the proposed project completion date.

Matthew Patterson made a motion at 9:00 PM to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Tara Lowary and so voted by all trustees.

Lorine Elwell
Village Clerk
Village of North Bennington